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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Gunnar Norstedt et al. : Paper No.  
Serial No.: Continuing Prosecution : Group Art Unit: 1632  
Application of 08/963,288 :  
Filed: Even date herewith : Examiner: A. Baker

For: **IMPROVEMENT OF AN EXPRESSION VECTOR FOR PRODUCTION OF RECOMBINANT PROTEINS**

Box CPA  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and first action by the Examiner in the present application, and in response to the Official Action received in the parent case, application Serial No. 08/963,288, dated November 9, 1999, please amend the referenced Application as follows:

Page 1, after the title, please amend the "Related Application" section as follows:

**D1** The present application ~~is a continuation of 08/963,288, filed November 3, 1997, which~~  
is a continuation of International Application No. PCT/SE95/01235 filed October 19, 1995,  
assigned U.S. Serial No. 08/809,256.

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